

Document Standards

New for 2003-2004!

Beginning with the 2003–2004 award year, the Common Origination and Disbursement System (COD) Technical Reference v1.0 also includes Pell and Direct Loan Legacy information. There is no longer a separate Federal Pell Grant Program Technical Reference or separate Direct Loan Technical Reference.

This new combined technical reference contains message classes, edits, record layouts, implementation guides, and supporting information for COD Full Participants and Phase-In participants.

How to use this technical reference

The 2003-2004 COD Technical Reference is comprised of eight separate volumes that contain key 2003-2004 development information for both COD Full Participants and Phase-In Participants. To use the COD Technical Reference effectively, choose the appropriate volume for your needs. Each volume has its own table of contents and individual sections.

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Note: If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this document, please contact the COD School Relations Center at 1-800-4PGRANT for Pell Grants and 1-800-848-0978 for Direct Loans. Staff is available Monday through Friday, 8am-8pm Eastern Time.